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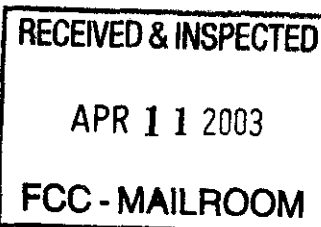
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Commissioner Michael Copps
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC



Commissioner Copps:

You are doing a great job of standing up, speaking up, even shouting from the rooftops as best you can about the danger to democracy by conglomerate media. The determined attacks on written and broadcast sources is criminal.

It's clear that Chairman Powell was named to the commission to get the job done of removing the last limits on the takeover of media. He wants to picture the whole issue as highly technical, beyond the grasp of ordinary people. That he, his boss and the corporate-driven GOP seem ready to ignore the destruction of democracy is utterly astounding.

Because our populace is already so misinformed/uninformed as to be nearly deaf, dumb and blind; we are really in danger. Most of us either don't understand what is at stake, or have decided that even CNN and FOX are too liberal! In this rah, rah time of propaganda and unnecessary way, we are really snowed.

I understand that you are on the road trying to get citizen input. Please keep it up. What can we locals do? We're active in a reading/discussion group, but find it difficult to communicate to a larger audience.

How can we help?

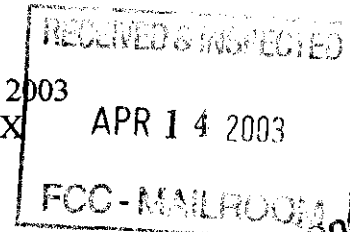
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Commissioner Adelstein
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Commissioner:

Thank you for standing up, shouting to the rooftops and otherwise doing your best to protect our democracy from the criminal acquisition attacks of big media

It's clear that Chairman Powell was named to the commission to get the job done of removing the last limits on the takeover of media by huge conglomerates. He wants to picture the whole issue as highly technical, beyond the grasp of ordinary people. That he, his boss and the corporate-driven GOP seem ready to ignore the destruction of democracy is utterly astounding.

In that our populace is already so misinformed/uninformed as to be nearly deaf, dumb and blind; we are really in danger. Most of us either don't understand what is at stake, or have decided that even CNN and FOX are too liberal!

I heard that you are on the road trying to get citizen input. Please keep it up. What can local citizens do? We're active in a reading/discussion group, but find it difficult to communicate to a larger audience.

Suggestions?

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